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Below is a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application
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ADVISORY ACTION

☒ THE PERIOD FOR RESPONSE:

a) ☒ is extended to run 5 months or continues to run _____ from the date of the final rejection

b) ☐ expires three months from the date of the final rejection or as of the mailing date of this Advisory Action, whichever is later. In no event however, will the statutory period for the response expire later than six months from the date of the final rejection.

Any extension of time must be obtained by filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a), the proposed response and the appropriate fee. The date on which the response, the petition, and the fee have been filed is the date of the response and also the date for the purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. Any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17 will be calculated from the date of the originally set shortened statutory period for response or as set forth in b) above.

☐ Appellant's Brief is due in accordance with 37 CFR 1.192(a).

☒ Applicant's response to the final rejection, filed 11/18/03 has been considered with the following effect, but it is not deemed to place the application in condition for allowance:

1. ☐ The proposed amendments to the claim and /or specification will not be entered and the final rejection stands because:
 - a. ☐ There is no convincing showing under 37 CFR 1.116(b) why the proposed amendment is necessary and was not earlier presented.
 - b. ☐ They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. (See Note).
 - c. ☐ They raise the issue of new matter. (See Note).
 - d. ☐ They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal.
 - e. ☐ They present additional claims without cancelling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: _____

2. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claims _____ would be allowed if submitted in a separately filed amendment cancelling the non-allowable claims.

3. ☒ Upon the filing of an appeal, the proposed amendment ☒ will be entered ☐ will not be entered and the status of the claims will be as follows:

Claims allowed: _____
Claims objected to: _____
Claims rejected: 15-28

However:

☒ Applicant's response has overcome the following rejection(s) Some of Objections. See the Enclosed
Letter Regarding Outstanding Issues.

4. ☐ The affidavit, exhibit or request for reconsideration has been considered but does not overcome the rejection because _____

5. ☐ The affidavit or exhibit will not be considered because applicant has not shown good and sufficient reasons why it was not earlier presented.

☒ The proposed drawing correction ☒ has ☐ ~~has not~~ been approved by the examiner.

☐ Other

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1. The substitute drawings were received on November 18, 2003. These drawings are acceptable.
2. Figure 1 has been amended to designate prior art by the addition of the legend "Prior Art", however in the amendment to page 9 of the specification figure 1 is still described as representing an embodiment of the invention.
3. Claims 15-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claims 15-27 are still found to be confusing since conventionally only the primary winding of a transformer produces magnetic flux from an input power source while the transformer secondary winding produces power from the magnetic flux. It is again suggested that instead of utilizing the term "produced by" the term --associated with-- or an equivalent term be utilized.

Claims 24 and 26 are vague and indefinite since the terms "the first end" (line 1 of claim 24) and "the second end" (line 3 of claim 24) lack proper antecedent basis.

Appropriate correction is required.

4. The explanation of the rejections under sections 102 and 103 of 35 U.S.C. can be found in a prior Office action.

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5. Applicant's arguments filed November 18, 2003 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

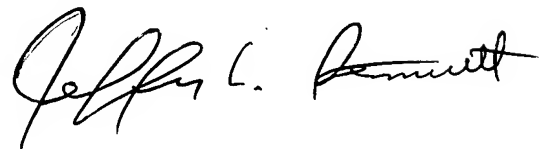
6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jeffrey Sterrett whose telephone number is (703) 308-1632. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Thursday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Sherry, can be reached on (703) 308-1680. The fax phone number for this Art Unit is (703) 305-7723 and the fax phone number for this Group is (703) 305-3431 or (703) 305-3432.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0956.

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November 25, 2003

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey L. Sterrett". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jeffrey" being the most prominent part.

Jeffrey L. Sterrett

Primary Examiner

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